

Application for State Real Estate Transfer Tax (SRETT) Refund

Issued under authority of P.A. 330 of 1993.

When a seller pays the SRETT to the Register of Deeds, and later determines that the sale (transfer) of the real property was exempt from the SRETT, the Michigan Department of Treasury will process an application for a refund of the SRETT. Once the application information is verified, Treasury will issue a check payable to the seller for the amount of the SRETT. This form must be filed within four years from the date the tax was paid.

Questions can be directed to the Customer Contact Division at 517-636-4700. Deaf, hearing- or speech-impaired persons may call 517-636-4999 (TTY).

Type or print in blue or black ink.

PART 1: IDENTIFICATION

Name(s) of Seller (Refund check will be made payable in this manner)	Social Security or Federal Employer ID Number(s)
Address Where Refund Should be Mailed	
City and State	ZIP Code

PART 2: EXEMPTION

State Exemption Being Claimed Under PA 330 of 1993, as Amended (see page 2 for list of exemptions)
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PART 3: DEED

Attach a copy of the deed with the transfer tax stamp showing the tax was paid.

A Michigan SRETT was paid on the deed recorded on (MM/DD/YY)	Liber Number	Page Number	County Name
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PART 4: DESCRIPTION

Legal description of property or Property Identification Number on the above deed (attach additional sheets if more space is needed). If legal description is shown on attached documentation, write "see attached."
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PART 5: SELLER'S CERTIFICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information on this form and attachments is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.	
Seller's Signature	Date

MAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Attach a copy of the sales agreement or any other documents that support this exemption claim. Mail this application and supporting documents to:

Michigan Department of Treasury
Customer Contact Division
Lansing, MI 48922

Form 2796

Exemptions to State Real Estate Transfer Tax (SRETT)

Under Section 6 of P.A. 330 of 1993, you may claim an exemption from the SRETT for one of the reasons listed below. Enter the section number for the exemption you are claiming in Part 2 of Form 2796.

- (a) A written instrument in which the value of the consideration for the property is less than \$100.00.
- (b) A written instrument evidencing a contract or transfer that is not to be performed wholly within this state only to the extent the written instrument includes land lying outside this state.
- (c) A written instrument that this state is prohibited from taxing under the United States Constitution or federal statutes.
- (d) A written instrument given as security or an assignment or discharge of the security interest.
- (e) A written instrument evidencing a lease, including an oil and gas lease, or transfer of a leasehold interest.
- (f) A written instrument evidencing an interest that is assessable as a personal property.
- (g) A written instrument evidencing the transfer of a right and interest for underground gas storage purposes
- (h) Any of the following written instruments:
 - (i) A written instrument in which the grantor is the United States, this state, a political subdivision or municipality of this state, or an officer of the United States or this state, or a political subdivision or municipality of this state, acting in his or her official capacity.
 - (ii) A written instrument given in foreclosure or in lieu of foreclosure of a loan made, guaranteed, or insured by the United States, this state, a political subdivision or municipality of this state, or an officer of the United States or this state, or a political subdivision or municipality of this state, acting in his or her official capacity.
 - (iii) A written instrument given to the United States, this state, or 1 of their officers acting in an official capacity as grantee, pursuant to the terms or guarantee or insurance of loan guaranteed or insured by the grantee.
- (i) A conveyance from a husband or wife or husband and wife creating or disjoining a tenancy by the entireties in the grantors or the grantor and his or her spouse.
- (j) A conveyance from a mother or father to a son or daughter or stepchild or adopted child.
- (k) A conveyance from a grandmother or grandfather to a grandchild or step-grandchild or adopted grandchild.
- (l) A judgement or order of a court of record making or ordering a transfer, unless a specific monetary consideration is specified or ordered by the court for the transfer.
- (m) A written instrument used to straighten boundary lines if no monetary consideration is given.
- (n) A written instrument to confirm title already vested in a grantee, including a quitclaim deed to correct a flaw in title.
- (o) A land contract in which the legal title does not pass to the grantee until the total consideration specified in the contract has been paid.
- (p) A written instrument evidencing the transfer of mineral rights and interests.
- (q) A written instrument creating a joint tenancy between 2 or more persons if at least 1 of the persons already owns the property.
- (r) A transfer made pursuant to a bona fide sales agreement made before the date the tax is imposed under sections 3 and 4, if the sales agreement cannot be withdrawn or altered, or contains a fixed price not subject to change or modification. However, a sales agreement for residential construction may be adjusted up to 15% to reflect changes in construction specifications.
- (s) A written instrument evidencing a contract or transfer of property to a person sufficiently related to the transferor to be considered a single employer with the transferor under Section 414(b) or (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. 414.
- (t) A written instrument conveying an interest in homestead property for which a homestead exemption is claimed under either the School Code, P.A. 451 of 1976, being sections 380.1 to 380.1852 of the Michigan Compiled Laws or the State Education Tax Act, P.A. 331 of 1993, being sections 211.901 to 911.906 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, if the State Equalized Valuation of that homestead property is equal to or lesser than the State Equalized Valuation on the date of purchase or on the date of acquisition by the seller or transferor for the same interest in property. If after an exemption is claimed under this subsection, the sale or transfer of homestead property is found by the Treasurer to be at a value other than the true cash value, then a penalty equal to 20% of the tax shall be assessed in addition to the tax due under this act to the seller or transferor.
- (u) A written instrument transferring an interest in property pursuant to a foreclosure of a mortgage including a written instrument given in lieu of foreclosure of a mortgage. This exemption does not apply to a subsequent transfer of the foreclosed property by the entity that foreclosed on the mortgage.
- (v) A written instrument conveying an interest from a religious society in property exempt from the collection of taxes under Section 7s of the General Property Tax Act, PA 206 of 1893, MCL 211.7s, to a religious society if that property continues to be exempt from the collection of taxes under section 7s of the General Property Tax Act, PA 206 of 1893, MCL 211.7s.